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1. JOINT ACC/CPC UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP ECOSOC CHAIRMAN KARHILO COMPLETED ITS SESSION MORNING OF JULY 2, CANCELLING ITS SCHEDULED AFTERNOON MEETING.

2. ICAO DIRECTOR GENERAL STATED THAT HIS ORGANIZATION COULD BE OF PARTICULAR HELP TO LAND-LOCKED COUNTRIES AND NOTED THE RELATIVELY LOW COST OF RATE INCREASES FOR AIR FREIGHT AS COMPARED WITH THOSE FOR PASSENGER. HE ADDED THAT ICAO FIELD PROGRAM WAS FUNDED SOLELY FROM EXTRA-BUDGETARY FUNDS AND CONCERNED LARGELY THE TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY.

3. THE REPRESENTATIVE OF FRANCE M. LEPRETTE AGREED TO THE IMPORTANCE OF DIALOGUE BETWEEN ECOSOC AND THE ACC TO CLARIFY THE ROLE OF THE AGENCIES IN THE NEW WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER. HE AGREED WITH THE JAPANESE REPRESENTATIVE ON THE NEED FOR BETTER INFORMATION ON THE

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SYSTEMS'S ACTIVITIES AND FELT THAT ALL BODIES SHOULD

PARTICIPATE TO GREATER EXTENT IN REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OF FUNCTIONS. HE AGREED WITH FAO'S BOARMA THAT THERE SEEMED TO BE NO NEED FOR CREATION OF ADDITIONAL BODIES AND GENERALLY OPPOSED RADICAL REFORM. FRANCE WAS FOR IMPROVED BUDGETARY DEVELOPMENT AND FOR PROGRESS IN THE AREA OF MEDIUM TERM PLANNING. IN THIS CONNECTION HE REFERRED TO THE IMPORTANCE OF JIU REPORT PREPARED BY MAURICE BERTRAND.

4. UNDP (PERERSON) STATED THAT THE UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL HAD TAKEN THE NEW ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ORDER SERIOUSLY. UNDP WAS PARTICULARLY CONCERNED WITH RE-PROGRAMMING OF UNUSED FUNDS FOR THE NEXT CYCLE. THERE SHOULD BE GREATER FLEXIBILITY AND INCREASING CONSIDERATION OF SOCIAL FACTORS PARTICULARLY THE NUMBER OF JOBS THAT WOULD BE CREATED BY PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS. HE FORESAW MORE SOPHISTICATED COUNTRY PLANS AND WAS HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE ORGANIZATION WAS ACHIEVING A NEW CONTRIBUTION STATUS. HE ALSO FORESAW A GROWING COOPERATION WITH BILATERAL PROGRAMS, NOTING THAT, IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, IT MATTERED NOT WHOSE FLAG WAS FLYING OVER DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES SO LONG AS ECONOMIC REQUIREMENTS BEING MET. HE LAMENTED THE SHORTAGE OF FUNDS FOR REGIONAL AND GLOBAL PROJECTS AND ANNOUNCED THE FORMATION OF A NEW SECRETARIAT UNIT TO FOSTER IDEAS FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES INCLUDING THE OIL PRODUCERS. UNDP WILL DEVOTE INCREASING EFFORTS TO EVALUATING COUNTRY PROGRAMS AND ANTICIPATED THAT AN EVALUATION OF PAST FOUR AND ONE-HALF YEARS WORK WILL BE INVALUABLE FOR THE 1975 SPECIAL SESSION WHICH SHOULD BE A MILESTONE IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

5. WMO (DAVIES) CONSIDERED THAT THE SPECIAL SESSION'S DECLARATION FOR PLAN OF ACTION CONSTITUTED A FIRST IMPORTANT STEP. HE BELIEVED THAT IT WAS TIME TO REVIEW THE UN SYSTEM. WMO WOULD COLLABORATE IN FOLLOWING UP ON SECRETARY KISSINGER'S STATEMENT TO SPECIAL SESSION REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF BASIC CLIMATE CHANGES BEING THE ROOT CAUSE OF THE FAMINE

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PROBLEM IN AFRICA. HE NOTED THAT WMO PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND ALSO CALLED ATTENTION TO THE GATE PROJECT AS AN EXAMPLE WHERE THE DEVELOPMENT OF SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION WOULD, IN THE LONG RUN, BE IMPORTANT FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. HE NOTED THAT THE PRINCIPAL EFFECT ON WMO OF SPECIAL SESSION'S INITIATIVES WOULD BE A SHIFT IN EMPHASIS RATHER THAN A BASIC CHANGE IN PROGRAM OR

STRUCTURE.

6. MAYHEW (UNESCO) NOTED THAT EXECUTIVE BOARD HAD AGREED TO STUDY THE CONSEQUENCES FOR UNESCO OF THE SPECIAL SESSION'S DECISIONS AND HE AGREED TO TIME-LINESS OF A REAPPRAISAL OF UN SYSTEM IN ORDER TO HELP ESTABLISH THE NEW ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL WORLD ORDER. HE BELIEVED THAT NO RADICAL CHANGES WOULD BE NEEDED IN UNESCO AND FELT THAT THE ORGANIZATION WAS ALREADY MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION ALTHOUGH IT COULD BE MORE USEFUL IN CONNECTION WITH LONG TERM ACTIVITIES THAN IN DEALING WITH THE SHORT TERM PROBLEMS. HE CALLED ATTENTION TO THE SOCIAL ASPECTS OF THE NEW ECONOMIC ORDER WHICH HE RELATED TO UNESCO INTEREST IN THE CULTURAL FACTORS, I.E., THE QUALITY OF LIFE. IN ANY RE-EXAMINATION OF THE UN SYSTEM IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO HAVE AN OPEN MIND ABOUT STRUCTURAL CHANGES ALTHOUGH HE DOUBTED THAT SUCH WERE NECESSARY. HE CALLED ATTENTION AS WELL TO THE IMPROTANCE OF MEDIUM TERM PLANNING AND THE BERTRAND (JIU) REPORT ON THIS SUBJECT. HE NOTED THE NEED FOR INCREASE OF UNESCO'S REGULAR BUDGET RESOURCES TO PROVIDE THE AGENCY THE CAPACITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE NEW ORDER.

7. UK PERMREP, RICHARD, WONDERED WHETHER MEETING WAS NOT CONFUSING TWO PURPOSES ONE OF WHICH WAS THE NEED TO KNOW WHAT THE AGENCIES ARE DOING OR PLANNING FOR THE NEW WORLD ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ORDER AND THE OTHER WAS TO DISCUSS WHETEHR THE GA DECISION INDICATED A NEED FOR ADDITIONAL, NEW, OR MODIFIED MACHINERY. RICHARD NOTED THAT IF INFLATIONARY PROBLEM WAS AS GRAVE AS IBRD (HOFFMAN) REPRESENTATIVE HAD INDICATED EARLIER IN THE SESSION, THERE WOULD, IN EFFECT, BE NO NEW UNCLASSIFIED

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL ORDER. HE QUESTIONED WHETHER THE SPECIAL SESSION'S ACTION PROGRAM WOULD BE UNDERTAKEN AT THE EXPENSE OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY TO WHICH THE UN SYSTEM WAS ALREADY COMMITTED. HE ADDED THAT THE SHIFT OF THE DECISION MAKING POWER IN THE ECONOMIC FIELD, IF SUCH WERE TO TAKE PALACE, SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN INCREASE IN THE SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY ON THE PART OF THOSE ASSUMING THIS POWER. TURNING TO THE QUESTION OF NEW MACHINERY, HE SAW A NEED FOR GREATER COORDINATION RATHER THAN NEW INSTITUTIONS. HE FELT THAT THE AGENCIES THEMSELVES SHOULD CHOOSE WHICH AMONG THEM WOULD SERVE AS A FOCAL POINT IN INTER-AGENCY PROGRAMS, AND SAW A NEED FOR IMPROVED INTER-AGENCY AND AGENCY GOVERNMENT RELATIONSHIPS.

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8. PARTIALLY IN RESPONSE TO THE UK STATEMENT THE BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR FRAZAO STATED THAT HE SAW NO CONFLICT BETWEEN THE ACTION PROGRAM AND THE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY. IN FACT, THEY WERE COMPLIMENTARY. HE WELCOMED MAYHEW'S (UNESCO) SUGGESTION THAT EXAMINATION OF UN SYSTEM SHOULD BE APPROACHED WITHOUT PREJUDICES. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE UN SYSTEM POLICY HAD ALREADY BEEN DETERMINED BY SPECIAL SESSION AND THAT WHAT REMAINED TO BE DONE WAS TO DETERMINE HOW THE SYSTEM WOULD IMPLEMENT THAT POLICY.

9. INDIA, ALTHOUGH GLAD OF THE INDICATIONS OF SUPPORT FOR THE ACTION PROGRAM AND STRONGLY IN AGREEMENT WITH THE DIALOGUE CONCEPT ANNOUNCED BY BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR AT THE PREVIOUS DAY'S SESSION, EXPRESSED HIS DISMAY THAT THE AGENCIES HAD NOT ALREADY ELABORATED PLANS ON HOW TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM. SUCH PLANS SHOULD INCLUDE NECESSARY CHANGES IN STRUCTURES PROCEDURES OR EMPHASIS. HE ALSO AGREED WITH AND STRESSED THE STATEMENT OF THE BRAZILIAN AMBASSADOR THAT THE POLICY HAS ALREADY BEEN ESTABLISHED AND THAT UNLESS IT IS IMPLEMENTED WITHOUT DELAY HE FORESAW A RESURFACING OF THE APPREHENSIONS OF THE WINTER OF 1973. HE REGRETTED ANY INDICATIONS

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OF A MOVE AWAY FROM THE DECISIONS OF THE SPECIAL SESSION. HE ALSO REGRETTED THAT THE DISCUSSION OF THESE IMPORTANT MATTERS BETWEEN ACC/CPC HAD BEEN LIMITED TO THREE SHORT MEETINGS AND TO THE EXCHANGE OF GENERALITIES.

10. UNICEF (LAVOUISSIE) FELT THAT THE SPECIAL SESSION DECISIONS SHOULD HAVE SPELLED OUT IN GREATER DETAIL THE SOCIAL ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM. UNICEF HAS NO LEGISLATIVE IMPEDIMENTS AND CAN HELP IN MANY WAYS, REACHING AS IT DOES THE 40 PCT OF THE PEOPLE IN MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHO ARE UNDER 5 YEARS OF AGE. THE ONLY LIMITATION OF UNICEF'S CONTRIBUTION IS THAT OF BUDGETARY RESOURCES.

11. REPRESENTATIVE OF IAEA NOTED THAT HIS AGENCY WAS UNDERTAKING A SURVEY OF NEEDS FOR NUCLEAR POWER IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND AN EXPLORATION FOR URANIUM RESOURCES AROUND THE WORLD. THIS TOGETHER WITH TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY WHICH WAS PROVIDED ON A COST FREE BASIS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES CONSTITUTED THE PRINCIPAL FEATURES OF IAEA PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL WORLD PLAN.

12. SUMMING UP MR. DESEYNES (ESA) RESPONDING TO THE INDIAN AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT SOME CAUTION COULD BE ATTRIBUTED TO FACT THAT HITHERTO AGENCIES HAVE BEEN ACCUSED OF TRYING TO OVERSELL THEIR ACTIVITIES IN THE DEVELOPMENT FIELD. HE SAID THAT RARELY HAD THE ACC INDICATED SUCH A POSITIVE REACTION TO A NEW INITIATIVE. HE AGREED THAT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ACTION PROGRAM AND DEVELOPING STRATEGY PROGRAM WERE COMPLIMENTARY. HE NOTED THE NEED FOR FULL PARTICIPATION BY ALL AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTS.

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